(b) what are the projects taken up by the MRTP and FERA companies in the delicenced industries and backward areas, respectively, during the Sixth Plan period;

(c) how many 100 per cent export units have been set up by the MRTP and FERA Companies during the Sixth Plan period;

(d) what have been the export earnings of these units during the said period; and

(e) what is the percentage of their export output during the Sixth Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Under the provisions of the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 796 letters of intent and 539 industrial licences were granted during the period 1980-81 to 1984-85 to MRTP/FERA Companies.

(b) MRTP/FERA Companies have only recently been made eligible for obtaining registration with the concerned tchnical authorities like DGTD in respect of de-licensed industries to be set up in centrally declared backward areas. As such, the question of taking up projects under the above said scheme of de-licensing by MRTP/FERA companies during the Sixth Plan period does not arise.

(c) to (e) Information is being collected and shall be laid on the Table of the House.

Criteria for appointing Government advocates

833. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the criteria fixed for appointment of Government Advocates and Counsels and panels in various State High Courts and Supreme Court of India and their scale of fees for various services rendered;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government loses cases because of inefficiency of their counsels, lack of instructions from the Departments concerned, lower fees etc. and

(c) what steps Government propose to adopt to the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) Government Advocates, Counsel and Panel Counsel in the Supreme Court and Various High Courts are appointed on the basis of their qualifications, experience, standing at the Bar, competence and the like. The scales of fees for various services rendered by them are governed by th terms and conditions of their appointment, copies of which are annexed. (*See* Appendix CXXXVII, Annexure No. 12)

(b) and (c) It will not be correct to say that Government loses cases because of inefficiency of their Counsel, lack of instructions from the Departments concerned, lower fees etc. The Courts decide legal issues involved in cases judiciously in accordance with the relevant laws and rules, legal interpretation and the facts brought before them. The appointments in the Panels are made after ascertaining the views from concerned and knowledgeable quarters.The performance of the Advocates on the Panels is constantly watched. The Panels are revised in case of unsatisfactory performance of an advocate or where a better choice is available. The rates of fees payable to Panel Counsel are also reviewed from time to time.

न्यायालयों में लम्बित मुकदमों में कमी करना

834. श्री लाल कृष्ण आडवाणी : क्या विधि और न्याय मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) लंबित पड़े मुकदमों को तेजी से निपटाने के लिए छठी पंच-वर्षीय योजना के दौरान उठाए गए कदमों के